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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

In the specification at page 1, line 2, please insert the following the following heading:

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

In the specification at page 1, after line 17 but before line 18, please insert the following heading:

DESCRIPTION OF RELATED ART

In the specification at page 6, after line 12 but before line 13, please insert the following headings and paragraphs:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Figure 1 shows vector map of pSUN3CeLPLAT.

Figure 2 shows amino acid sequence alignment of C. elegans LPLATs (Ce-T06E8.1 and Ce-F59F4.4) with the M. musculus LPAAT (Mm-NP061350).

Figure 3 shows fatty acid profiles of transgenic C13ABYS86 S. cerevisiae cells.

Figure 4 shows elongation of exogenously applied $18:2^{\Delta 9,12}$ and $18:3^{\Delta 9,12,15}$, respectively, following their endogenous Δ -6-desaturation (data from Figs. 2 and 3).

Figure 5 shows fatty acid profiles of transgenic C13ABYS86 S. cerevisiae cells.

Figure 6 shows acyl-CoA composition of transgenic INVSc1 yeasts which had been transformed with the vectors pESCLeu PpD6Pse1/pYes2 (A) or pESCLeu-PpD6-Pse1/pYes2-T06E8.1 (B).

Figure 7 shows fatty acid profiles of transgenic INVSc1 S. cerevisiae cells.

Figure 8 shows fatty acid profiles of transgenic INVSc1 S. cerevisiae cells.

Figure 9A shows vector map of pGPTV LeB4-700 + T06E8.1.

Figure 9B shows vector map of pGPTV USP/OCS-1,2,3 PSE1(Pp)+D6-Des(Pt)+2AT (T06E8-1).

Figures 10A and 10B show biosynthetic pathway of LCPUFAs.

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Figure 11 shows comparison of GPAT and LPAAT substrate specificities in linseed, sunflower and Mortierella alpine.

Figure 12 shows comparison of LPCAT substrate specificity in linseed, sunflower and Mortierella alpine.

Figure 13 shows alignment of SEQ ID NO: 2 with Swiss Prot database.

Figure 14 shows alignment of SEQ ID NO: 5 with Swiss Prot database.

Figure 15 shows alignment of SEQ ID NO: 35 with Swiss Prot database.

Figure 16 shows alignment of SEQ ID NO: 23 with Swiss Prot database.

Figure 17 shows alignment of SEQ ID NO: 27 with Swiss Prot database.

Figure 18 shows alignment of SEQ ID NO: 8 with Swiss Prot database.

Figure 19 shows alignment of SEQ ID NO: 10 with Swiss Prot database.

Figure 20 shows alignment of SEQ ID NO: 12 with Swiss Prot database.

Figure 21 shows Western blot analyses of the *Thraustochytrium* LPAAT expressed in *E*. coli as fusion protein (LPAAT-FP) with N-terminal GST tag and C-terminal His tag (A) and acyl-CoA specificity of the Thraustochytrium LPAAT expressed as GST fusion protein in E. coli (B).

Figure 22 shows Western blot analysis of the Shewanella LPAAT expressed in E. coli as fusion protein with C-terminal His tag (A) and functional expression of the Shewanella LPAAT in E. coli (B).

Figure 23 shows expression of Mortierella LPAAT (MaB4_AT) in yeast, and feeding of $18:2 \Delta 9,12$ fatty acids (A + B).

Figure 24 shows expression of Mortierella LPAAT (MaB4 AT) in yeast, and feeding of 18:3 $\triangle 9,12,15$ fatty acids (C + D).

Figure 25 shows expression of Mortierella LPAAT (MaB4 AT) in yeast, and feeding of $18:2 \Delta 9.12$ fatty acids (A + B). Analysis of the neutral lipids.

Figure 26 shows expression of Mortierella LPAAT (MaB4 AT) in yeast, and feeding of 18:3 $\Delta 9,12,15$ fatty acids (C + D). Analysis of the neutral lipids.

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION